## VOLUNTOWN SELECTMEN'S MEETING October 18, 2016

**Meeting** A Meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Tuesday, October 18, 2016 at the Voluntown

Town Hall. Mr. Sirpenski, First Selectman, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Selectmen Present Robert A. Sirpenski, Tracey L. Hanson, Jack S. Wesa

Town Officials None

Citizens Present Lloyd and Tammy VanLanen; Audience of Citizens

**Approval of Minutes** 

Motion A motion was made (Jack Wesa/Tracey Hanson) to approve the minutes of the meeting held on

October 4, 2016 as submitted. Motion Approved.

Citizens Comments None

Correspondence & Announcements

Resignation LBOD Ms. Erika Jones submitted a letter of resignation from the Voluntown Public Library Board of

Trustees, effective October 14, 2016.

Eversource Eversource notified the Town that they would be participating in the 2016 CT Emergency Panning

and Preparedness Initiative Exercise.

U.S. Dept. of Justice

The U.S. Department of Justice sent a notification designating October 3-7th as National

Community Policing Week.

NECCOG NECCOG forwarded information on several "Regional Long-range Transportation Plan

Workshops" to be held in November.

Paving - Wylie School/Campbell Mill Mr. Sirpenski noted that a drainage issue and several driveway "apron" concerns caused by a garbage truck were addressed during the paving of Wylie School and Campbell Mill Rd.

**New Business** 

Appointments Motion A motion was made (Jack Wesa/Tracey Hanson) to approve the following reappointments:

EDC – Jack Wesa, Pam Delaney

Rec. Comm. - Michael Magario, Melinda Bryan, Michael Kalwara, Marc Pelletier, Belinda

Wiese, Peter Cassidy, Tammy VanLanen, Lloyd VanLanen Transfer Station – John Gileau, Ronald Millovitsch

Motion Approved.

Rec. Comm. Budget Mr. & Mrs. VanLanen, on behalf of the Recreation Comm., expressed their concern over Beach Security being charged to the Recreation Budget. Mr. Sirpenski stated that the cost

would not affect their budget appropriation. A discussion took place regarding using a security service versus other means of controlling access to the beach. The BOS noted that they have spent many hours at the beach due to issues with patrons, some necessitating involvement by the State Police. Ms. Hanson and Mr. Wesa noted that there have been ongoing problems which have increased with the closing of the R.I. beach.. It was agreed to discuss this matter during the course

of the 2017/2018 budget process.

Tax Refunds Motion A motion was made (Tracey Hanson/Jack Wesa) to approve a tax refund to Deborah Tardiff,

Motion Approved.

Boat Launch Beach Pond The State of Conn. DEEP will be holding an Informational Public Hearing at the Firehouse on Nov. 2, 2016, between 7:00 and 9:00 p.m., to discuss the reconstruction of the State boat launch at Beach Pond. The reconstruction will include a dock, ramp, and a kayak/canoe area. Ms. Hanson noted that parking for hikers should also be discussed.

**Old Business** 

Wylie Schoolhouse Mr. Wesa noted that bat exclusion is ongoing and the structural evaluation is scheduled to begin

next week.

Historic Bldg. Comm. The BOS reviewed State Statutes (7-147r, 10-321Q, 7-147q) as requested by Attorney Carey.

It was agreed that they do not want a "Historic District" but a "Historic Town Property" Commission. They would like the Ordinance to also address guidelines for the addition of the property to the National Register of Historic Places. Mr. Sirpenski will submit their requests to

Attorney Carey.

Beach Pond The BOS will request a four-foot drawdown for 2017. They will request that the drawdown begin

early enough for work on docks and walls and continue until weeds can be killed by freezing.

Salt Shed The Salt Storage building was presented and approved by the Planning and Zoning Comm. and

has been ordered. The storage building will be located on town land on Brown Road and will be a Clearspan portable building set on cement (mafia) blocks. The frame has a fifty-year warranty and the fabric a twenty year warranty. Mr. Sirpenski noted that the site was inspected by Mr. Theroux,

Inland/Wetlands officer.

Tricentennial Comm.

Motion

A motion was made (Robert Sirpenski/Jack Wesa) to appoint Amy LaBossiere, Beth Taylor, Victoria Schwery, Wendy Gauthier and Cheryl Sadowski to the Tricentennial Committee.

Motion approved.

Road Paving Mr. Sirpenski noted that paving has been completed on Wylie School and Campbell Mill Rd.

The Public Works Dept. is now working on side dressing and seeding, guiderails will be replaced

where needed.

Drainage issues on Lakeside Terrace are being reviewed. Mr. Sirpenski was able to renegotiate an agreement with CT Water which will contribute \$46,000 towards the project. Tanglewood, Valley Drive and Ten Rod Road will be milled and paved in the spring.

Adjournment

Motion A motion was made (Jack Wesa/Tracey Hanson) to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned

at 7:50 p.m. Motion Approved.

Respectfully submitted by:	Approved for distribution by:

Roxanne Gray, Admin. Asst. to the BOS Robert Sirpenski, First Selectman